MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL

CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA

MAY 17, 2016

INVOCATION:
Pastor Dave Brogren, of Heritage Presbyterian Church, gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:
Councilmember Waterfield led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:
MEMBERS PRESENT
Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT
City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Community Development Appel, City Librarian Housel, Interim Fire Chief Kenley, Police Commander Hansen, Director of Recreation & Parks Posada, Director of Utilities Springer, Director of Administrative Services Visé, Transit Services Manager O'Dell, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

A. PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK
Councilmember Zuniga presented a Proclamation in recognition of National Public Works Week. Richard Dupuis, Public Works Operations Manager, accepted the Proclamation.

B. PROCLAMATION – HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH
Mayor Patino presented a Proclamation recognizing May 2016 as "Huntington's Disease Awareness Month" in the City of Santa Maria. The Proclamation was accepted by Melissa Biliardi, Executive Director of Help 4 HD International Incorporated.

C. BLOCK GRANTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE – DONNA WOLCOTT COMMENDATION
Resolution No. 2016-52 thanking and commending Block Grants Advisory Committee Member Donna Wolcott for her service on the Committee was adopted on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES:	Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Resolution No. 2016-52 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, COMMENDING DONNA WOLCOTT ON HER RETIREMENT AS A COMMITTEE MEMBER OF THE BLOCK GRANTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
Anne Cremarosa, representing Santa Maria Business Development Center, introduced members from the Hancock College graphic design class and presented a logo they had created specific to the Santa Maria Small Business Development Center.

Leonardo Espinoza, Jr. invited youth in the community to the next Youth Advisory Council Meeting scheduled on Friday, May 20, from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., in the Community Room at the Discovery Museum.

Mayor Patino took a moment to mention an IRS phone scam recently reported by some residents in the community. The elderly have been receiving phone calls from someone claiming to be with the IRS and threatening to take them to court. She asked residents to be aware of the phone scam and not divulge personal information to anyone on the phone claiming to be with the IRS.

Director of Utilities Springer gave an update on the City's water conservation efforts. City residents conserved 15 percent in April (slightly less than the 16 percent required by the State). However, cumulatively over the last year, the City's water conservation is above the amount required by the State. Rainfall in the City of Santa Maria is at 70 percent of normal and local reservoirs remain well below normal levels. Mr. Springer commented that the City would be providing residents primarily with State water in the coming year, a higher quality water with lower dissolved solids and less need for water softeners.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:
Councilmembers Boysen and Waterfield recused themselves from voting on Item 3D (Warrants) due to financial conflicts of interest.

Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3P (except 3D) were approved on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Consent Calendar Items 3D (Warrants) were approved on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 3-0-2

AYES: Councilmembers Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmembers Boysen and Waterfield

A. ORDINANCES
The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES
The Minutes of the regular Meeting of the City Council of May 3, 2016, were approved as submitted.

C. FAIRWAY BUSINESS PARK RELEASE OF FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE BONDS
The City Council accepted as complete the public improvements associated with Fairway Business Park, Tract 5988, and authorized: 1) the release of a Faithful Performance Bond (#388861S) in the reduced amount of $50,000 posted in the form of a Surety to guarantee the construction and installation of public improvements; and 2) ordered that the Contractor, Labor and Material Bond in the amount of $52,589.92 be retained for six months and the Guarantee & Defective Material Bond in the amount of $10,517.98 be retained for one year from the date of the release of the Faithful Performance Bond for Public Improvements.

D. WARRANTS
Warrant Nos. 200149 to 200449 totaling $1,374,377.43 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant Nos. 199337, 199504, and 199603 were cancelled.

E. PAYROLL
Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

F. 2016-17 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS
Resolution No. 2016-53 was adopted approving the 2016-17 Annual Action Plan for the use of Federal funds under the Community Development Block Grants Program.

Resolution No. 2016-53 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 FOR THE USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

G. ORDINANCE NO. 2016-09 - PREISKER COMMERCIAL CENTER PROJECT
The City Council conducted the second reading, by title only, and adopted Ordinance No. 2016-09 amending the official zoning map for the Preisker Commercial Center Project (GPZ2015-0004), northwest corner of North Broadway and Preisker Lane.

Ordinance No. 2016-09 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR THE PREISKER COMMERCIAL CENTER PROJECT (GPZ2015-0004), NORTHWEST CORNER OF NORTH BROADWAY AND PREISKER

H. EXHIBIT AND RENTAL FEES WITH THE LIBRARY
Resolution No. 2016-54 was adopted approving an annual art exhibit space fee in Shepard Hall and hourly rental fees for the Dorothea Nelson Conference Room.

Resolution No. 2016-54 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING LIBRARY FEES FOR ART GALLERY SPACE AND RENTAL OF THE DOROTHEA NELSON CONFERENCE ROOM

I. ANNUAL TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT CLAIM
Resolution No. 2016-55 was adopted approving the Annual Transportation Development Act claim for fiscal year 2016-17 which includes $4,837,471 for transit or paratransit purposes, plus State Transit Assistance funds, if available; $81,975 for pedestrian and bikeway facilities; and $120,504 for regional transportation planning distributed to the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments, to be allocated for mass transportation or local transportation planning.

Resolution No. 2016-55 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A CLAIM WITH THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS FOR ALLOCATION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17

J. MEASURE "A" FIVE-YEAR LOCAL PROGRAM OF PROJECTS
Resolution No. 2016-56 was adopted approving the Measure "A" Five-Year Local Program of Projects for fiscal years 2016-2021; and certifying that the City of Santa Maria will provide sufficient funding in the 2016-17 budget to meet the Measure "A" Maintenance of Effort requirement.

Resolution No. 2016-56 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE MEASURE A FIVE-YEAR LOCAL PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2020-21

K. NOTICE OF CONTRACT COMPLETION – SANTA MARIA AREA TRANSIT BUS WASH
The City Council approved a Notice of Contract Completion for Bid No. 2015/04, the Santa Maria Area Transit Bus Wash Facility, and directed the Chief Deputy City Clerk to record the same.

L. SUMMARY VACATION OFF SOUTH DEPOT AND WEST CENTURY STREET
Resolution No. 2016-57 was adopted approving a summary vacation of a portion of an alley off of South Depot Street and adjacent to West Century Street, pursuant to the Streets and Highway Code, and directed the Chief Deputy City Clerk to record the same.

Resolution No. 2016-57 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, SUMMARY VACATION OF A PORTION OF AN ALLEY NEAR WEST CENTURY STREET PURSUANT TO STREETS & HIGHWAYS CODE, PART 3, CHAPTER 4, §8331

M. RELOCATION OF BRADLEY ROAD FOR ENOS RANCHOS PROJECT
Resolution No. 2016-58 was adopted authorizing the Director of Public Works to sign a Quitclaim Deed for a portion of Bradley Road to be closed and realigned for the Enos Ranchos development.

Resolution No. 2016-58 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE QUITCLAIM FOR A PORTION OF BRADLEY ROAD AND THE CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF BRADLEY ROAD DURING CONSTRUCTION

N. SUBDIVISION IN-LIEU FEES
The City Council conducted the second reading, by title only, and adopted Ordinance No. 2016-10 amending Santa Maria Municipal Code Section 11-9.05(d)(2) concerning the timing for setting the fair market value of acreage for purposes of calculating the subdivision in-lieu fee.

Ordinance No. 2016-10 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 11-9.05(d)(2) OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING SETTING OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE OF ACREAGE FOR CALCULATING THE SUBDIVISION IN-LIEU FEE

O. WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY GRANT YOUTH ACT
Resolution No. 2016-59 was adopted authorizing the Director of Recreation and Parks to apply for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Grant Youth Act – Youth Program Operator for up to $1,112,462 in funding for the period of October 1, 2016 through June 20, 2019.

Resolution No. 2016-59 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY GRANT

P. INTENT TO ANNEX PARCELS INTO LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE
Resolution No. 2016-60 was adopted expressing intent to annex three parcels into the Southwest, Northwest, and Northeast Landscape Maintenance and Lighting Districts.

Resolution No. 2016-60 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS AND DECLARING THE INTENTION TO ANNEX THREE (3) PARCELS INTO THE SOUTHWEST, NORTHWEST, AND NORTHEAST LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AND LIGHTING DISTRICTS, PURSUANT TO THE "LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972" (BEST BUY AUTO SALES, CUEVAS WAREHOUSE, AND HANCOCK TERRACE).

4. WESTGATE SENIOR HOUSING. The City Council considered recommendations of the Planning Commission to adopt resolutions approving a Negative Declaration and General Plan Land Use Policy Map designation of a 5.5 acre site located on the north side of Battles Road, west of South Blosser Road, **FROM** NC (Neighborhood Commercial) **TO** HDR-22 (High Density Residential 22 du/ac) designation; and introduce ordinances amending the Blosser-Southwest Specific Plan and the Zoning Map **FROM** PD/CC (Planned Development/Convenience Commercial) **TO** PD/R-3 (Planned Development/High Density Residential) zoning district.

Community Development Director Appel gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The project site is surrounded by Blosser Road on the east side, La Brea Avenue on the north, Battles to the south, and the Heritage residential project (currently under construction) to the west. The request this evening is to change the zoning to allow for the construction of 193 senior units with full kitchens. The front part of the project would be commercial and the senior housing would be in the back. Access would be from Battles Road and La Brea Avenue. The project includes a pool and clubhouse with amenities and pedestrian access from Heritage.

No rare or endangered plants, animals, or habitats were found on the site visit. Air quality and greenhouse gases were all below thresholds.

Councilmember Boysen asked what was indicated on the map near the corner lot at La Brea and Blosser.

Community Development Director Appel responded the corner would be a driveway.

Applicant Comments
Craig Minus, representing the Towbes Group, gave further detail on the driveway saying it would be a one-way exit driveway (exiting with a right-turn onto La Brea) along with a pedestrian sidewalk.

Laurie Tamura, of Urban Planning Concepts, spoke favorably on the project.

Councilmember Waterfield asked how soon the market place would be built.

Mr. Minus responded that the space was being actively marketed through a commercial real estate company, but at this time it is not known how soon the market place would be finished.

Councilmember Zuniga asked how the senior apartments would have access to the commercial site.

Community Development Director Appel responded that access would be a sidewalk that either pedestrians or bicyclists could use.

Written Communications
There were no written communications.

Public Hearing
Mayor Patino opened the Public Hearing at 7:14 p.m., and hearing no requests to speak, immediately closed the Public Hearing.

Council discussion
There was no Council discussion

Resolution No. 2016-61 was adopted approving a Negative Declaration for the Westgate Senior Housing

Project located on the north side of West Battles Road, west of South Blosser Road, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-61 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE WESTGATE SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WEST BATTLES ROAD, WEST OF SOUTH BLOSSER ROAD

Resolution No. 2016-62 was adopted amending the Land Use Policy Map for approximately 5.5 acres, located at the north side of West Battles Road, west of South Blosser Road, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-62 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE LAND USE POLICY MAP FOR APPROXIMATELY 5.5 ACRES, LOCATED AT THE NORTH SIDE OF WEST BATTLES ROAD, WEST OF SOUTH BLOSSER ROAD

Ordinance No. 2016-11 was introduced for first reading, and continued to the next meeting for second reading and adoption, approving amendments to the Blosser-Southwest Specific Plan for approximately 5.5 acres located north of Battles Road, west of Blosser Road, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance No. 2016-11 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE BLOSSER-SOUTHWEST SPECIFIC PLAN FOR APPROXIMATELY 5.5 ACRES LOCATED NORTH OF BATTLES ROAD, WEST OF BLOSSER ROAD

Ordinance No. 2016-12 was introduced for first reading, and continued to the next meeting for second reading and adoption, amending the Official Zoning Map on approximately 5.5 acres, located on the north side of West Battles Road, West of South Blosser Road, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Boysen, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance No. 2016-12 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP ON APPROXIMATELY 5.5 ACRES, LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WEST BATTLES ROAD, WEST OF SOUTH BLOSSER ROAD

5. 2015 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN. The City Council considered the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan.

Director of Utilities Springer gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. Urban Water Management Plans are required by State statute and are governed by the State Department of Water Resources. The City of Santa Maria adopted its first Water Management Plan in 1988 and has re-adopted the Plan, with updates, five times since then. The draft plan being presented this evening meets all of the Department of Water Resources criteria. The Plan has also been updated with population projections using the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments calculations

predicting that in the year 2040, the City of Santa Maria population will be close to 140,000. Past water usage was evaluated and those calculations used to estimate future usage. Estimates are that usage will go from 12,000 acre feet annually to 20,000 acre feet. In 2005, water use per person per day was 133 gallons. In 2015, it was less at 108 gallons. Santa Maria's water sources continue to be groundwater, return flows recaptured from the Basin, Twitchell reservoir, and State water. In all scenarios regarding drought situations, the City has enough water to withstand a drought.

Councilmember Boysen asked how the average use per person compared with other cities.

Director of Utilities Springer responded he did not have the numbers to answer that question. He added that 80 gallons per day per person is considered a basic survival limit and some surrounding communities are conserving up to 40 or 50 percent.

Councilmember Waterfield asked for clarification on the statement that the City of Santa Maria would be receiving 60 percent of its water from State water.

Director of Utilities Springer explained the State water allocation is 60 percent of its entitlement which is roughly 17,000 acre feet. Thus 60 percent will provide a little over 10,000 acre feet. The City intends to provide 12,000 acre feet, so about 80 percent will be State water and 20 percent will be ground water.

Councilmember Waterfield asked if the increased rain and snow in northern California helped with Santa Maria's water supply.

Director of Utilities Springer responded that it did help and there is now significant storage in reservoirs in the northern part of the State.

Councilmember Orach commended Santa Maria residents on their conservation efforts.

Councilmember Waterfield asked if the State has made any provisions to guard against bad tasting water.

Director of Utilities Springer responded that, although it may taste bad, the water still meets drinking water standards and is a result of an algal bloom. He indicated that with smaller allocations of water, there is less water flowing through the system resulting in higher levels of algae. However, with the higher State water allocations this year, there may not be any taste issue with the water.

Director of Utilities Springer thanked Utilities staff members Shannon Sweeney, Lisa Long, and Michelle Ruiz for putting the report together. Previously, the City had hired a consultant to compile the report at a cost of about $60,000; this year, staff developed the report in-house saving money for the rate payers.

Written communications
There were no written communications.

Public Hearing
Mayor Patino opened the Public Hearing at 7:30 p.m., and hearing no requests to speak, immediately closed the Public Hearing.

Council discussion
There was no discussion by the City Council.

Resolution No. 2016-63 was adopted approving the 2015 Urban Water Management Plan, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-63 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE 2015 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

6. HIGHWAY 101 MONUMENT SIGN. The City Council considered a recommendation of the Planning Commission to approve the monument concept to be used for the Welcome to Santa Maria Gateway Monument sign; and adopted a resolution detailing the selection, funding, and maintenance of the Monument based on Caltrans requirements.

Director of Public Works Kahn gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. A gateway monument sign is a sign that identifies to travelers that they are entering Santa Maria and are welcome to visit. Caltrans has guidelines for monument signs as they are located in Caltrans right-of-ways. The signs must be no more than 20 feet wide, made of durable materials and maintained by the City. This proposed sign would be located at the corner of Highway 101 and the southbound Broadway/Hwy 135 exit.

With regard to sign composition, the top would be a smooth off-white plaster with a rough-cast stucco textured brown base. Concept A is based on the tower concept of City Hall and has the City's year of inception. Concept B is modeled after the tiled roof on City Hall. Concept C has two symmetrical towers on either side with the City's ship logo centered between them. The Planning Commission recommended Concept A.

Councilmember Waterfield asked how long it would take to obtain approval from Caltrans.

Director of Public Works responded that he anticipated it would take about a month for approval and construction would commence in the summer.

Councilmember Orach commented that the All-America City Committee had previously considered the monument sign. He suggested moving the sign closer to the Santa Maria Bridge.

Councilmember Zuniga asked if money for the project was currently available or if it would be available upon approval of the budget.

City Manager Haydon responded that there was money set aside for this fiscal year for the project, however project costs will exceed what is available. Thus, additional funding will be coming forward with the 2016-18 budget.

Councilmember Boysen asked if all of the funding would come out of the Business Attraction Loan Fund.

City Manager Haydon confirmed that funding would be used from the Business Attraction Loan Fund.

Public input
There were no requests to speak.

Council discussion
Councilmember Orach commented that he favored Concept C with the inclusion of the date of 1905.

Councilmember Zuniga indicated that she liked the asymmetrical aspect of Concept A.

Councilmember Waterfield stated she preferred Concept A.

Councilmember Boysen commented he favored Concept A.

Resolution No. 2016-64 was adopted approving the installation and maintenance of a gateway monument along US 101 within California State right-of-way (Concept A), on motion by Councilmember Zuniga, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-64 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A GATEWAY MONUMENT ALONG US 101 WITHIN CALIFORNIA STATE RIGHT-OF-WAY; AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AND ENCROACHMENT PERMIT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

7. TRANSIT RULES OF CONDUCT. The City Council considered an ordinance amending Title 8 to add Chapter 18 implementing rules of conduct and an exclusion process for public transit systems.

Director of Public Works Kahn introduced Transit Services Manager O'Dell who gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The Transit Division's Mission is to provide excellent public transit and customer service to the traveling public; an extensive transit network in the Santa Maria Valley; safe, reliable service; and facilities that attract riders to the transit system. Issues such as loitering, loud music, harassing of customers, smoking, and vandalism have become commonplace at the Transit Center and this item is being brought forth to address them. The proposed rules would be similar to those established for the Library. They would also give Code Compliance and City Rangers enforceable standards.

Public input
There were no requests to speak.

Council discussion
Councilmember Boysen commented that he supported the Ordinance and felt rules were badly needed at the Transit Center.

Councilmember Zuniga encouraged the City to engage local community services to help alleviate some of the activities taking place at the Transit Center, such as laundering of clothes in the restrooms.

Mayor Patino commented that she supported the establishment of rules with transit, particularly since many people who are not able to drive depend on the transit system and should not be intimidated by others while using it.

Ordinance No. 2016-13 was introduced for first reading, and continued to the next meeting for second reading and adoption, adding Chapter 8-18, Rules of Conduct and Exclusion Process for Public Transit Systems, on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance No. 2016-13 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 8 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING CHAPTER 18 TO IMPLEMENT RULES OF CONDUCT AND EXCLUSION PROCESS FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEMS

8. THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT 2015-16. Director of Administrative Services Visé gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report indicating that he would be primarily reviewing the General and Enterprise Funds. The beginning fund balance of $10,122,000 was the audited fund balance in the General Fund as of July 1, 2015. Through the end of the third quarter, sales tax receipts were $577,000 greater than last fiscal year. Strong new auto sales and gains in consumer goods are being attributed to the increase. Declining fuel prices have led to a decrease in fuel tax from service stations. NHIS revenue was at 51 percent of budget at $927,000 with an annual budget of $1.8 million. At third quarter of last year, receipts were at $2.3 million. The decline appears to be due to low oil prices. Permit revenue was at $2.2 million versus $1.6 million last fiscal year. Expenditures in the General Fund were about 67 percent of budget, primarily due to budget savings and vacancies in City Departments. With regard to Measure U, revenues the third quarter were on budget at $3.12 million and roughly 91 percent of expenditures were public safety related.

Water/waste water funds revenue exceeded expenditures by $2.8 million and included the entire bond amount of $4.6 million for the year. Regarding the Solid Waste Fund, expenditures exceeded revenues by about $72,000 for the year.

Councilmember Zuniga asked about Measure U expenditures and if there were more expenditures expected from that fund.

Administrative Services Director Visé responded that there were no more expenditures coming out of that fund for the year.

Public Input
There were no requests to speak.

Council discussion
There was no Council discussion.

The Third Quarter Financial Report for 2015-16 was received and filed.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:
City Manager Haydon reported the next City Council meeting would be on June 7, 2016, and would include the 2016-18 Proposed City Budget (setting the hearing date for June 21); the second reading of the Westgate Senior Housing Project ordinances and the Transit Rules of Conduct ordinance; and a presentation on the Fire Works Task Force and progress reducing fireworks issues in the City. There would also be three Public Hearings: 1) TEFRA, 2) Responsible Pet Owners Ordinance, and 3) the Libertine Brewery Appeal of the Planning Commission's Denial of a Conditional Use Permit. He indicated that staff was preparing for the July 4th holiday and the new rules/regulations informational forms were being distributed to customers by Utility Billing. Bi-lingual radio ads and PSAs were being broadcast as well. Additional advertising and canvassing would begin Memorial Day Weekend. Mr. Haydon also announced the City was looking into changing the venue for the Fourth of July fireworks show from the Fairpark to Pioneer Valley High School with a community fair being held the entire day.

Councilmembers Zuniga and Orach suggested taking advantage of the Downtown Friday Nights as a way to spread the word regarding the Fourth of July rules and festivities.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS):
Councilmember Boysen reported that he attended a Central Coast Collaborative on Homelessness Policy Council Meeting.

Councilmember Orach indicated that he had nothing to report.

Councilmember Waterfield reported that she presented a Proclamation during Police Officers Memorial Week (May 9-13) and she announced the 8th Annual Golf Tournament of the Santa Maria Police Council scheduled for Monday, June 6th beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Councilmember Zuniga reported that she attended the National Day of Prayer and the Unity in Community Event. She also invited everyone to attend the upcoming SBCAN Looking Forward Awards scheduled for Sunday, May 22 and the Community Action Commission's Champion's Dinner on June 2nd. She thanked Senator Hannah-Beth Jackson for her contributions to the community and acknowledged the large group of soccer parents who attended the recent One Community Action meeting.

Mayor Patino reported that she attended the North County Sub-regional Meeting; the Annual Tourism Luncheon; the Elks Student of the Year and Citizen of the Year Awards; the National Day of Prayer event; the North Santa Barbara County Economic Summit; a meeting with the North County At-Risk Task Force; participated in the Unity in Community Prayer Walk; the Women's Conference at the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church; participated in a car giveaway to a young student from Cuesta College; attended a Sunday afternoon tea; and attended the Hancock Terrace Ribbon Cutting.

Mayor Patino also reported she had been in Washington DC where she attended meetings with the Air Force Office of Installations; the Environment and Energy representatives; Senator Barbara Boxer; the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services; the Federal Emergency Management Agency; the Economic Development Administration; the Environmental Protection Agency; the Office of Diane Feinstein; Lois Capps; and the Department of Transportation.

ADJOURNMENT:
There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.
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APPROVED:

June 7, 2016
Date

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk of the City Council

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

ATTEST:

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk